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FOAMING ANTI-BACTERIAL CLEANSING SKIN PRODUCT

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The present invention relates to a foaming cleansing product that provides a more sanitary washing experience, in particular a foam cleansing product together with a countertop dispenser, which provides an instant foam and 10 superior deposition of anti-bacterial agent.

Preferably the inventive product is used with a countertop mechanical pump allowing the foam to be dispensed directly onto the hands without soiled hands touching (and soiling) 15 the pump or the sink tap. Preferably the pump is situated in a stable position so that the forearm can be used to depress the pump and dispense the product. This results in a more hygienic cleansing process. In addition, initial dilution with water is not required since the foam can be 20 distributed prior to rinsing.

An unexpected benefit of the inventive foamed cleansing product is improved delivery of an anti-bacterial agent, when present, from an instant foam delivery. This form of 25 application unexpectedly enhances the delivery of antibacterial agent, since the same amount of agent is applied directly to the skin in the form of concentrated foam or lather as compared to dilution required by standard hand cleansing liquids to make lather for even distribution 30 of the product on the skin.

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A further unexpected benefit of the inventive cleansing product is the enhanced deposition of the hydrophobic anti-bacterial agent on the skin, such as triclosan, compared to the deposition of the same agent in a liquid cleansing
5 product without the foam.

Yet another unexpected benefit of the inventive cleansing product is the substantially improved cleansing performance with waxy type makeup, and the like, compared to the use of
10 liquid cleansing products which do not produce instant foam.

Detailed description:

In one aspect, the inventive composition comprises a
15 surfactant blend including an anionic surfactant, and at least one surfactant selected from a nonionic and an amphoteric surfactant, a cationic polymer, and a hydrophobic antibacterial agent, wherein the composition contains less than 0.05 wt. % of a water insoluble emollient; the
20 composition being dispensed by a mechanical pump to provide a foam, i.e. a mixture of air and liquid. Preferably the foam has a density range of 0.05 to 0.20 g/ml. Preferably the inventive cleansing product has a weight ratio of anionic surfactants to the sum of nonionic and amphoteric surfactants in the range of 0.2 to 1 to 3 to 1; more
25 preferably in the range of 1.5 to 1 to 2.5 to 1.

As used herein, the term "hydrophobic" in relation to anti-bacterial component means a material which is more lipid
30 soluble, i.e. non-aqueous soluble, than aqueous soluble. The total amount of surfactants in the inventive composition

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does not exceed about 12.0 wt. %, and preferably does not exceed 10.5 wt. %. The viscosity of the inventive composition is in the range of 1 to 500 cps, preferably 1 to 200 cps at 25 °C as measured by a Brookfield HBDVII+ viscometer using 0.5 rpm and spindle #41. Preferably the composition contains a water-soluble emollient, including one or more polyhydric alcohols, more preferably glycerin and polyethylene glycol. Preferably the water-soluble emollient is in the concentration range of about 0.5 to 10 wt. % of the composition.

Water insoluble emollients require sufficient solubilizers such as surfactants when formulated into aqueous systems. With regard to the inventive composition, the pump requires a low surfactant concentration for optimum viscosity and foam production which limits the total amount of water insoluble material (including fragrance and the hydrophobic anti-bacterial agent) to a level capable of being dispersed or suspended therein. Furthermore, the inventive composition provides for excellent skin feel as determined by techniques which would be well known to the skilled person, notwithstanding the lack of water insoluble emollients.

Compositions of the present invention are preferably free of any oil phase, especially free of water insoluble emollients. The term "free" means less than 0.05%, preferably less than 0.01% emollient, and water insoluble means any emollient having a solubility in distilled water at 25 °C of less than about 1 gm per 100 mL, more preferably less than about 0.1 gm per 100 mL. Absent water insoluble

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emollients, the compositions can be transparent and have improved foamability.

In another aspect of the invention, enhanced deposition of
5 hydrophobic anti-bacterial agents to the skin is provided which accompanies the application of the inventive composition. This effect is illustrated in Example 2 below.

In a further aspect of the invention, surprisingly efficient
10 waxy cosmetics removal is provided following the application and rinsing of the inventive composition. Waxy cosmetics are here defined as cosmetics containing wax such as beeswax, carnauba wax, paraffin wax, and the like, preferably at a level in excess of about 10 wt.% by weight
15 of the composition. Representative examples include mascara, lipstick, cream blush, and the like. Such cosmetics may also optionally contain film forming polymers such as polyvinylpyrrolidone and copolymers of vinylpyrrolidone with e.g. polyurethane; and the like. This
20 effect is illustrated in Example 3 below.

Anionic surfactants

A further component of cleansing compositions according to the present invention is an anionic surfactant. Illustrative but
25 not limiting examples include the following classes:

(1) Alkyl benzene sulfonates in which the alkyl group contains from 9 to 15 carbon atoms, preferably 11 to 14 carbon atoms in straight chain or branched chain configuration. Especially
30 preferred is a linear alkyl benzene sulfonate containing about 12 carbon atoms in the alkyl chain.

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(2) Alkyl sulfates obtained by sulfating an alcohol having 8 to 22 carbon atoms, preferably 12 to 16 carbon atoms. The 5 alkyl sulfates have the formula $\text{ROSO}_3 \text{--M}^+$ where R is the C8-22 alkyl group and M is a mono- and/or divalent cation.

(3) Paraffin sulfonates having 8 to 22 carbon atoms, preferably 12 to 16 carbon atoms, in the alkyl moiety. These 10 surfactants are commercially available as Hostapur SAS from Hoechst Celanese.

(4) Olefin sulfonates having 8 to 22 carbon atoms, preferably 12 to 16 carbon atoms. Most preferred is sodium C14-C16 15 olefin sulfonate, available as Bioterge AS 40.®.

(5) Alkyl ether sulfates derived from an alcohol having 8 to 22 carbon atoms, preferably 12 to 16 carbon atoms, ethoxylated with less than 30, preferably less than 12, moles of ethylene 20 oxide. Most preferred is sodium lauryl ether sulfate formed from 2 moles average ethoxylation, commercially available as STEOL CS230 or Standopol ES-2.(R).

(6) Alkyl glyceryl ether sulfonates having 8 to 22 carbon 25 atoms, preferably 12 to 16 carbon atoms, in the alkyl moiety.

(7) Fatty acid ester sulfonates of the formula: $\text{R}^1 \text{CH}(\text{SO}_3 \text{--M}^+) \text{CO}_2 \text{R}^2$ where R^1 is straight or branched alkyl from about C8 to C18, preferably C12 to C16, and R^2 is a straight or

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branched C1 to C6 alkyl group, preferably primarily C1, and M+ represents a mono- or divalent cation.

5 (8) Secondary alcohol sulfates having 6 to 18, preferably 8 to 16 carbon atoms.

(9) Fatty acyl isethionates having from 10 to 22 carbon atoms, with sodium cocoyl isethionate being preferred.

10 (10) Dialkyl sulfosuccinates wherein the alkyl groups range from 3 to 20 carbon atoms each.

15 (11) Alkanoyl sarcosinates corresponding to the formula RCON(CH₃)CH₂ CH₂ CO₂ M wherein R is an alkyl or alkenyl group having about 10 to about 20 carbon atoms and M is a water-soluble cation such as ammonium, sodium, potassium and trialkanolammonium. Most preferred is sodium lauroyl sarcosinate.

20 Nonionic surfactants:

Co-surfactants are present in the inventive composition to aid in the foaming, detergency and mildness properties. At least one surfactant selected from a nonionic and amphoteric surfactants are the preferred co-surfactants. Suitable nonionic surfactants include C10 -C20 fatty alcohol or acid hydrophobes condensed with from 2 to 100 moles of ethylene oxide or propylene oxide per mole of hydrophobe; C2 -C10 alkyl phenols condensed with from 2 to 20 moles of alkylene oxides; mono- and di-fatty acid esters of ethylene glycol such as ethylene glycol distearate; fatty acid monoglycerides; sorbitan mono- and di-C8-C20 fatty acids;

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and polyoxyethylene sorbitan available as Polysorbate 80 and Tween 80. (R). as well as combinations of any of the above surfactants.

5 Exemplary non-ionic surfactants suitable for use in the compositions according to the present invention include primary amines such as cocamine (available as Adagen 160D ® from Witco) and, in a preferred embodiment, alkanolamides such as cocamide MEA (available as Empilian CME ® from 10 Albright and Wilson), lauramide MEA (available as Empilan LME ® from Albright and Wilson), lauramide MIPA, lauramide DEA, and mixtures thereof, and the like.

Other useful nonionic surfactants include alkyl 15 polyglycosides, saccharide fatty amides (e.g. methyl gluconamides) as well as long chain tertiary amine oxides. Examples of the latter category are: dimethyldodecylamine oxide, oleyldi(2-hydroxyethyl)amine oxide, dimethyloctylamine oxide, dimethyldecylamine oxide, dimethyltetradecylamine 20 oxide, di(2-hydroxyethyl)tetradecylamine oxide, 3-didodecoxy-2-hydroxypropyldi(3-hydroxypropyl)amine oxide, and dimethylhexadecylamine oxide.

Amounts of the nonionic surfactant may range from 0.5 to 5 Wt. 25 %, preferably from 1 to 4 wt. %, and most preferably from 2 to 3 wt. % of the composition.

Amphoteric Surfactants

Amphoteric surfactants such as betaines may be used in the 30 inventive formula. Suitable betaines may have the general

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formula $\text{RN}^+ (\text{R}^1)_2 \text{R}^2 \text{COO--}$ wherein R is a hydrophobic moiety selected from alkyl groups containing from 10 to 22 carbon atoms, preferably from 12 to 18 carbon atoms; alkyl aryl and aryl alkyl groups containing 10 to 22 carbon atoms with a benzene ring being treated as equivalent to about 2 carbon atoms, and similar structures interrupted by amido or ether linkages; each R^1 is an alkyl group containing from 1 to 3 carbon atoms; and R^2 is an alkylene group containing from 1 to about 6 carbon atoms. Sulfobetaines such as cocoamidopropyl sultaine are also suitable.

Examples of preferred betaines are dodecyl dimethyl betaine, cetyl dimethyl betaine, dodecyl amidopropyldimethyl betaine, tetradecyldimethyl betaine, tetradecylamidopropyldimethyl betaine, and dodecyldimethylammonium hexanoate. Most preferred is cocoamidopropyl betaine available as Tegobetaine F.(R). sold by Th. Goldschmidt AG of Germany. Amounts of the betaine may range from about 0.5 to 5%, preferably from about 1 to 4%, more preferably from 2 to 3% by weight of the total composition.

Specific examples of these amphoteric surfactants include the alkali, alkaline earth, ammonium and trialkanolammonium salts of cocoamphoacetate, cocoamphodiacetate, cocoamphopropionate, cocoamphodipropionate and mixtures thereof. Most preferred is sodium cocoamphoacetate available as Miranol HMA from the Rhone Poulenc Corporation. Similar surfactants are also available as Amphoterge.(R). from Lonza Inc., Fair Lawn, N.J. While the sodium salt is preferred, other cations can also be employed including

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lithium, potassium, magnesium and calcium. Amounts of the amphoteric surfactant may range from about 0 to 12%, preferably from about 1 to 10.5%, more preferably from about 2 to 6% by weight of the composition.

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Moisturizing ingredients

Moisturizing ingredients may also be included in the compositions of the present invention. Water-soluble moisturizers or emollients such as polyhydric alcohol-type humectants are particularly preferred. Typical polyhydric alcohols include glycerol (also known as glycerin), polyalkylene glycols and more preferably alkylene polyols and their derivatives, including propylene glycol, dipropylene glycol, polypropylene glycol, polyethylene glycol and derivatives thereof, sorbitol, hydroxypropyl sorbitol, hexylene glycol, 1,3-butylene glycol, 1,2,6-hexanetriol, ethoxylated glycerol, propoxylated glycerol and mixtures thereof, and the like. For best results at least one humectant is preferably glycerin. The amount of humectant may range anywhere from about 0.5 to 10.0%, preferably between 1 and 2% by weight of the composition.

Preservatives

Preservatives can desirably be incorporated into the cosmetic compositions of this invention to protect against the growth of potentially harmful microorganisms. Suitable preservatives are DMDM Hydantoin, and EDTA salts. Other useful preservatives include alkyl esters of para-hydroxybenzoic acid, propionate salts, and quaternary ammonium compounds, iodopropynyl butyl carbamate, phenoxyethanol, methyl paraben, propyl paraben,

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imidazolidinyl urea, sodium dehydroacetate and benzyl alcohol, and the like. The preservatives should be selected having regard for the use of the composition and possible incompatibilities between the preservatives and other 5 ingredients in the composition. Preservatives are preferably employed in amounts ranging from 0.01% to 2% by weight of the composition.

Minor adjunct ingredients may be present in the cosmetic 10 compositions. Among them may be the water-soluble vitamins, colorants, fragrances and opacifiers, and the like. Each of these substances may range from 0.05 to 5%, preferably between 0.1 and 3% by weight of the composition.

15 Advantageously, the compositions of the invention may contain a foam densifying agent. Examples of this substance are waxy materials with a melting point greater than 20°C, preferably greater than 40°C. Illustrative are ethoxylated glyceride esters such as PEG 6 caprylic/capric glycerides 20 and PEG 75 soy glycerides. Also useful are C8-C12 acyl lactylates such as sodium lauroyl lactylate sold as Pationic 138 C.(R). available from the Patterson Chemical Company. Amounts of these agents may range from about 0.1 to 2%, preferably from about 0.5 to 1% by weight of the 25 composition.

Cationic polymers

Cationic polymers are also used in the inventive 30 composition. Examples of the polymeric type include cationic cellulose derivatives, cationic starches, copolymers of a diallyl quaternary ammonium salt and an

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acryl amide, quaternized vinylpyrrolidone vinylimidazole polymers polyglycol amine condensates, quaternized collagen polypeptide, polyethylene imine, cationized silicon polymer (e.g. Amodimethicone), cationic silicon polymers provided in
5 a mixture with other components under the trademark Dow Corning 929 (cationized emulsion), copolymers of adipic acid and dimethylaminohydroxypropyl diethylenetriamine, cationic chitin derivatives, cationized guar gum (e.g. Jaguar C-B-S, Jaguar C-17, Jaguar C-16, etc. manufactured by the Celanese
10 Company), quaternary ammonium salt polymers (e.g. Mirapol A-15, Mirapol AD-1, Mirapol AZ-1, etc., manufactured by the Miranol Divison of the Rhone Poulenc Company). Most preferred is polyquaternium-10 available as Polymer JR400 sold by the Amerchol Corporation.

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Amounts of the cationic polymer may range from about 0.01 to 3.0 %, preferably from about 0.01 to 1.0 %, and most preferably from about 0.01 to 0.5 % by weight of the composition.

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In a preferred embodiment, the compositions of the present invention are transparent. By the term "transparent" is meant having a maximum transmittance of light of at least 4% of any wavelength in the range of 400 to 700 nm through a
25 sample 1 cm thick. A transparent composition is one which also permits sufficient light transmittance to enable reading of newspaper print through a thickness commensurate with a diameter of the container employed with the herein described dispenser.

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Antimicrobial actives

Examples of suitable antibacterial agents which can be used herein include, but are not limited to, the dicarbanilides, for example, triclocarban also known as trichlorocarbanilide, 5 triclosan, hexachlorophene and 3,4,5-tribromosalicylanilide, and the like. A preferred antibacterial agent herein is triclosan. Other suitable antibacterial actives include pharmaceutically-acceptable salts of β -lactam drugs, quinolone drugs, ciprofloxacin, norfloxacin, tetracycline, 10 doxycycline, capreomycin, chlorhexidine, chlortetracycline, oxytetracycline, clindamycin, ethambutol, hexamidine isethionate, metronidazole, pentamidine, gentamicin, kanamycin, lineomycin, methacycline, methenamine, minocycline, neomycin, netilmicin, paromomycin, 15 streptomycin, tobramycin, miconazole and amanfadine and mixtures thereof, and the like.

Non-aerosol foaming dispenser

An element of the cleansing product according to this 20 invention is a non-aerosol foaming dispenser. A suitable dispenser may be mechanical and is generally characterized by a container for storing the composition (preferably a transparent container), a dispensing head defined by a housing containing a pump, and a dip tube for transferring 25 the composition from the container into the dispensing head. Foam is created by requiring the composition to pass through a screen material which may be a porous substance such as a sintered material, a wire (plastic or metal) gauze screen or similar structures.

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No. 3,709,437 (Wright), U.S. Pat. No. 3,937,364 (Wright),
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4,598,862 (Rice), U.S. Pat. No. 4,615,467 (Grogan et al.)
5 and U.S Pat. No. 5,364,031 (Tamiguchi et al.). Most
preferred however is a device owned by the Airspray
International Corporation described in WO 97/13585 (Van der
Heijden). All these patents are incorporated herein by
reference.

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The Airspray device comprises a container for storing a
cleansing composition and a dispensing head, the latter
including at least a concentric air pump and liquid pump.
Each of the pumps has a piston chamber with a piston
displaceable therein and an inlet and discharge, and an
operating component for operating the two pumps. The
operating component is integral with one of the pistons and
comprises an outflow channel with a dispensing opening.
Shut-off mechanisms, rendering it possible to suck up air or
15 liquid, respectively, and dispense them, are present in the
inlet and discharge of the pumps. The air pump includes a
double-acting shut-off device which can be operated actively
by the operating component. The shut-off device prevents
both the inlet of air to the air pump and discharge of air
20 therefrom. The air piston is able to be moved freely at
least over a small distance with respect to the operating
component.

Other suitable foaming dispensers may include squeeze
30 foamers. Squeeze foamer packages are well known as
exemplified by the disclosures in the following patents that

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are incorporated herein by reference. U.S. Pat. Nos.: 3,709,437, Wright; 3,937,364, Wright; 4,022,351, Wright; 4,147,306, Bennett; 4,184,615, Wright; 4,598,862, Rice; and 4,615,467, Grogan et al.; and French Pat. 2,604,622,
5 Verhulst.

When squeeze foamers are used, the composition is placed in the container reservoir (plastic squeeze bottle). Squeezing the container with the hand forces the composition through a
10 foamer head, or other foam producing means, where the composition is mixed with air and then through a homogenizing means which makes the foam more homogeneous and controls the consistency of the foam. The foam is then discharged as a uniform, non-pressurized aerated foam.
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Except in the operating and comparative examples, or where otherwise explicitly indicated, all numbers in this description indicating amounts of material ought to be understood as modified by the word "about".

20 The following examples will more fully illustrate the embodiments of this invention. All parts, percentages and proportions referred to herein and in the appended claims are by weight unless otherwise illustrated.
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Example 1

Solutions 1 to 5 represent embodiments of the inventive composition

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Table 1

	% active in formula				
INCI Ingredient	Solution 1	Solution 2	Solution 3	Solution 4	Solution 5
Water	q.s.100	q.s.100	q.s.100	q.s. 100	q.s. 101
tetrasodium EDTA	0.078%	0.078%	0.078%	0.078%	0.078%
SLS	4.600%				
SLES, 2 EO	3.80%	5.00%	4.00%	5.60%	5.00%
Cocoamidopropyl Betaine		2.50%	2.52%	1.00%	1.00%
Alpha olefin sulfonate			2.43%		
Decyl Glucoside					1.00%
Cocamide MEA	1.20%	0.40%			
Sodium Lauroamphoacetate				0.50%	
Sodium Lauroyl lactylate				0.20%	
Polyquaternium-10	0.13%	0.07%	0.05%	0.05%	0.07%
Wheatgermamidopropyl Hydroxypropyl Dimonium Hydrolyzed Wheat Protein		0.05%			0.05%
PEG-400		0.50%			
PEG 75 Soy Glycerides				0.20%	
Glycerin	1.00%	1.00%		1.00%	1.00%
PEG-6 Caprylic/Capric Glycerides		0.70%			0.50%
DMDM Hydantoin	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%
Citric Acid for pH adjustment	q.s. pH 4.5	q.s. pH4	q.s. pH 4	q.s. pH 5.5	q.s. pH 4
Fragrance	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%
Triclosan	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%	0.15%
Lactic Acid			2.00%		
sodium hydroxide			0.80%		
pH	4.5	4	4	5.5	4

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Example 2:

The following procedure for antibacterial deposition testing was used to evaluate foam vs. liquid performance with regard
5 to skin deposition.

Procedure for deposition testing

Pre Wash:

10 • Wet forearms. Rub Dove bar in wet hands for 10 rotations of bar.
• Wash both forearms for 30 seconds. Rinse for 15 seconds.
• Wait 30 minutes and take first extraction.

15 Extraction Procedure:

- Place 1 inch glass cup on forearm.
- Dispense 3 ml of Isopropanol into cup.
- Scrub with glass stir rod for 30 seconds.
- Draw off liquid and place in a glass vial.

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Wash procedure:

For foam: Take 1 pump (Airspray International Co.) of foam product (solution 1 described in table 1). Rub for 30 seconds on forearm. Rinse for 10 seconds. Pat dry.

25 For liquid: Take 1 mL of neat liquid (not dispensed through Airspray pump). Rub for 30 seconds on other forearm. Rinse for 10 seconds. Pat dry.

Take the second extraction.

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Pre and post extractions are measured for triclosan content.

Results:

5 Table 2.

Subject #	Triclosan deposited, $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$	
	Foam	Liquid (Comparative)
1	0.08364	0.05450
2	0.13093	0.07452
3	0.08119	0.06389
4	0.11169	0.21042

Thus, the results demonstrate that 3 out of 4 panelists had significantly more triclosan deposited from the foam than from 10 the liquid cleanser.

Example 3:

Solution 1 (as described in table 1) foamed (through the Airspray pump) and liquid (not dispensed through Airspray pump) was evaluated for waxy makeup removal.

Makeup removal protocol

20 1) Mark off two 3.5x2.5 cm rectangles on the inner side of each forearm.

2) Take skin color measurements using the Minolta Chromameter, 3 readings within each rectangle

3) Apply makeup as given below per type (all Revlon Colorstay):

- Mascara - spread uniformly using spatula for even coverage allow 10 minutes for drying

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- 4) Take color measurements on the dried makeup.
- 5) Wash with test product, as follows:
 - Wet arms.
 - Apply 1 ml of liquid or foam to the makeup site.
 - 5 • Rub product on site for 30 seconds
 - Rinse soap off for 15 seconds
- 6) Take skin color measurements on cleaned skin
- 7) Calculate the % makeup removed

10 Table 3

Liquid (Comparative)		Foam (Inventive)	
Percent removal	Std. Deviation (n=15)	Percent removal	Std. Deviation (n=15)
68.43	23.00	81.30	20.00

The foregoing description and examples illustrate selected embodiments of the present invention. In light thereof 15 variations and modifications will be suggested to one skilled in the art, all of which are within the scope and spirit of this invention.

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CLAIMS

1. A foam producing, cleansing product comprising:

(a) a foamable cleansing liquid composition including
5 from about 0.1 to about 12 wt. % of a surfactant blend selected from anionic surfactants, amphoteric surfactants, nonionic surfactants, and mixtures thereof; the surfactant blend having at least one anionic surfactant and at least one surfactant selected
10 from an amphoteric and nonionic surfactant;
from about 0.01 to 3.0 wt. % of a water soluble cationic polymer;

from about 0.05 to 1.5 wt. % of a hydrophobic anti-bacterial compound;

15 (b) a foam dispenser for dispensing a foam from the liquid composition, the dispenser including a reservoir to contain the liquid composition, a manually actuated mechanism for generating a volume of foam, and a foam dispensing nozzle attached in fluid communication with the manually actuated mechanism; and
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(c) wherein said liquid composition contains less than about 0.05 wt. % of a water insoluble emollient.

25 2. A foam producing, cleansing product according to claim 1 wherein the foam produced has a foam density of about 0.05 to 0.20 g/ml when dispensed from the foam dispenser.

30 3. A foam producing, cleansing product according to claim 1 or claim 2 wherein the weight ratio of the anionic

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surfactant to the sum of the nonionic and amphoteric surfactants is in the range of 0.2 to 1 to 3 to 1.

4. A foam producing, cleansing product according to any of
5 the preceding claims wherein the total amount of surfactants does not exceed about 10.5 wt % of the composition.
5. A foam producing, cleansing product according to any of
10 the preceding claims wherein the viscosity of the liquid composition is in the range of about 1 to 500 cps at 25° C.
6. A foam producing, cleansing product according to any of
15 the preceding claims further comprising from about 0.5 to 10.0 wt. % of a water soluble emollient.
7. A foam producing, cleansing product according to any of
20 the preceding claims wherein the antibacterial agent is selected from triclosan, trichlocarban, and chlorhexidine.
8. A foam producing, cleansing product according to any of
25 the preceding claims wherein the liquid composition has a pH in the range of about 3.5 to 6.5.
9. A foam producing, cleansing product according to any of the preceding claims wherein the liquid composition is clear.

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10. A foam producing, cleansing product according to any of the preceding claims wherein the foam dispenser is selected from a mechanical foam dispenser, and a squeezable foam dispenser.

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11. A method of depositing a hydrophobic antibacterial agent onto the skin comprising the steps of:

10 dispensing the foam producing, cleansing product of claim 1 onto the skin as a foam;
claim 1 onto the skin as a foam;
rubbing the foam on the skin; and
rinsing the excess foam from the skin with water.

15 12. A method of removing waxy cosmetics from the skin comprising the steps of:

20 dispensing the foam producing, cleansing product of claim 1 onto the skin as a foam;
rubbing the product on the skin coated with the waxy cosmetics; and
rinsing the thus loosened cosmetics and excess product from the skin with water.

25 13. A method according to claim 11 or claim 12 wherein the foam has a foam density of about 0.05 to 0.20 g/ml when dispensed.

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(54) Title: FOAMING ANTI-BACTERIAL CLEANSING SKIN PRODUCT

(57) Abstract: A foaming cleansing product is provided as a cleansing composition packaged in a non-aerosol pump dispenser. The dispenser includes a container for holding a liquid composition, a dispensing head with a housing enclosing a pump mechanism and a screen material in the flow path to convert liquid composition into a foam

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Claims Nos.: 1-13

Present claims 1-13 relate to an extremely large number of possible products. Support within the meaning of Article 6 PCT and/or disclosure within the meaning of Article 5 PCT is to be found, however, for only a very small proportion of the products claimed. In the present case, the claims so lack support, and the application so lacks disclosure, that a meaningful search over the whole of the claimed scope is impossible. Consequently, the search has been carried out for those parts of the claims which appear to be supported and disclosed, namely those parts relating to the products free of water insoluble emollient (0.00 wt %).

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